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Mr. Michael Gibson Director Environmental Affairs Kennecott Utah Copper P. O. Box 525 Bingham Canyon, Utah 84006-0525

Dear Mr. Gibson:

Re: <u>Tentative Approval for the Copperton Concentrator 4th Line Expansion, Kennecott Utah Copper Corporation, M/035/002, Salt Lake County, Utah</u>

The Division has reviewed Kennecott Utah Copper's (KUC) February 9, 1990 and March 23, 1990 revised amendment submittals for the 4th Line Expansion. The supplemental information has been determined conceptually complete and adequate. The Division hereby tentatively approves the 4th Line Expansion.

The revision was reviewed as an amendment (as opposed to a revision) to the existing, approved Utah Copper Division Modernization Project Mining and Reclamation Plan. The revision was determined to be an amendment based on the insignificance of disturbance relative to the existing disturbance.

The approval for this amendment will be deemed complete upon approval of the form and amount of surety by the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining. The minerals staff plans to present a request for such approval on April 26, 1990 to the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining.

Thank you for your cooperation and diligence during the permit review period.

Sincerely,

Lowell P. Braxton

Associate Director, Mining

CC:

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